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Maupin says College can fill position

Ipock submits resignation

Serving as head of the nursing program since 1978, Dr. Betty Ipock has submitted her resignation, effective May 20.

Concerning specifics as to why she is leaving Southern, Ipock had no comment.

"I have accomplished the major goals that I set for myself when I first came to Missouri Southern," she said. "I have become ready for new challenges."

"When I first came here, I added the existing faculty what their goals were for the nursing faculty. We've done our best to accomplish what we set out to do."

Ipock's goal as head of the program was to establish a bachelor's degree in nursing. An accreditation team will visit the campus to determine if the degree program is satisfactory.

"The team will be here from April 5-8," said Ipock. "Their report should be ready sometime during the fall of 1988."

"I am looking forward to their arrival. I am interested to see if we get the accreditation because it is something we all have been working for."

During her 10 years at Southern, Ipock said she is proudest of the development of the B.S.N. completion program for nurses.

Although she would not specify what her plans are, she said she is "very fortunate to have a lot of options open."

"As of now, I have six different options," Ipock added. "I do plan to stay in the area."

James Maupin, dean of the school of technology, values the contributions made by Ipock.

"She has contributed very significantly to the development of the nursing program," Maupin said. "But her resignation is not a total surprise."

"She had visited me about her personal reasons as to why she is leaving."

Maupin echoes Ipock's sentiments concerning the achievement of her goals.

"She is pretty well accomplished," he said. "She has completed some of the goals she had set for herself and the department when she first arrived at Southern. So her resignation was not really a shock."

According to Maupin, Ipock's departure is not an unfriendly one.

"It was not an amicable departure by any means," he said. "I knew she had not planned to stay here for an extended period of time."

The College will begin a nationwide search to find a new nursing director.

"We have a number of very capable members of the nursing department who will keep the program going," said Maupin. "At the end of the year, we will have to sit down and decide what direction we will take with this. Although Dr. Ipock has made very positive contributions to the nursing program and the College, I am confident we will be able to fill her shoes."



Special guest

Vice President George Bush, making a campaign swing through southwest Missouri last week, speaks at Missouri Southern. See related story and photos on page 12. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

College wants to offer more sabbatical leaves

Faculty welfare committee seeks increase

By Chris Christian
Staff Writer

Wanting to give faculty members a chance to further their education, Missouri Southern is seeking to offer additional sabbatical leaves.

"Some institutions give more sabbaticals than we do," said Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs. "If we were able financially to give more, it would probably benefit the faculty and the College, but I'm not sure where the money would come from at this time."

"We would like more, but it takes money," said College President Julio Leon. "If we put money into this, we have to take it out of something else."

The faculty welfare committee has sought additional sabbatical leaves, according to Dr. Carolyn Yocum, a committee member.

"We would like a line-item budget request to fund up to 3 percent of the budget toward sabbatical leaves each year," she said. "An increase in benefits for faculty members on leave also is being looked at."

The committee also is drafting a study-leave proposal.

A study-leave proposal will be submitted later; its purpose will be to help teachers achieve terminal degrees," said Yocum. "This proposal would be targeted toward younger, dynamic faculty who intend to stay with the College."

While a faculty member at Central Missouri State University, Yocum was granted a study leave to complete her Ph.D. She believes she was fortunate.

"It promotes a sense of pride and responsibility toward the College and is very beneficial to the students," she said.

Yocum believes Southern will increase the number of faculty leaves it grants in the near future.

"Obviously, the College is interested in faculty development as much as possible," said Leon. "The sabbatical program helps the faculty members work for their Ph.D."

According to Belk, faculty members requesting a sabbatical must have been employed by Southern for at least six years. In addition, the sabbatical must be beneficial to both the faculty member and the College. However, Belk said sabbatical leaves are not as high a priority as faculty salaries, and the two often compete.

"It can be an awkward situation," he said. "Many tenured teachers would support increases in teachers' salaries, whereas many of the younger faculty would support an increase in sabbatical funding."

A person who is granted a sabbatical leave is entitled to one-half year away from campus at full pay, or an entire year away at one-half pay.

"When the faculty member is gone, we have to hire a replacement," said Leon. "That depends on funding."

"At one time, sabbaticals were eliminated. We asked the Board of Regents to reinstate it, and they approved."

Leon said there are more applicants for sabbaticals than sabbaticals available.

"Every year we have five or six apply for one available sabbatical," he said. "We would like to give 10 if it were possible. It keeps our faculty refreshed. It recharges their batteries."

Testing for teacher education majors could change

By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

Teacher education majors at Missouri Southern may soon be subjected to entrance, as well as exit, examinations.

Under provisions provided by the Excellence in Education Act of 1985, the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education is required to develop and administer a basic skills test for students seeking admission to a teacher education program in the state.

According to Dr. James Sandrin, head of the education department at the College, steps are being taken to implement such an entry exam.

"The plan is still in the draft stage," he said. "The Missouri Board of Education has sent it around asking for comments and review by the public."

The proposal calls for using the College BASE as an entry test. Currently, no entrance exam is required. Students are admitted according to ACT scores and

grade-point average. A score of 18 and a GPA of 2.5 or better are required for admission.

According to Sandrin, the College BASE is composed of five independent sections—English, mathematics, science, social studies, and a writing sample.

"A student must pass each section independently," he said. "It is not a composite score. If a student fails one area, they can't enter the program."

Should a student fail any portion of the exam, the option of retaking the entire exam or just the failed portion are offered. Candidates will have two years from the first attempt to achieve passing scores on all sections.

"If you want a teaching certificate in Missouri, you must meet these requirements," said Sandrin. "I think it's a better test than the ACT."

While Sandrin believes the Board will pass "probably 90 percent of the draft," he said there are parts with which he does not agree.

"I don't agree with having to pass each

section of the College BASE independently," he said. "They did a composite score with the ACT—why should they change it now?"

The new proposal is expected to be passed within the next month, and the College BASE will be implemented by September 1988.

While a proposal has been drawn for the entrance exam, no specifics have been decided upon concerning the exit exam. Currently, all teacher education graduates from Southern are required to pass the National Teachers Exam in order to receive a teaching certificate.

"Teacher education is heavily regulated by the state," said Sandrin. "In how many other majors do you have to pass entrance exams and have a certain GPA to be admitted?"

Another provision of the Excellence in Education Act calls for follow-up studies on graduates who receive jobs in the teaching field.

"The college must follow up for the first two years," said Sandrin. "That involves

a full-time faculty member going to the school where the graduate is teaching and seeing how they are doing."

According to College President Julio Leon, implementation of the entrance exams and follow-up programs will cost Southern anywhere from \$50,000 to \$150,000.

"We graduate 100-120 students a year in teacher education," said Leon. "This will involve visitation two times a year in a school setting. This will be difficult to do under the present circumstances."

According to Leon, it is still unknown how the visitation system will work. For instance, if a Southern graduate takes a job in St. Louis, will the College be responsible for sending its personnel to that school or will personnel from a closer institution do the follow up?

The follow-up program would only apply to graduates who stay in Missouri, and Leon and Sandrin both agree some details need to be worked out.

Committee may recommend changes in general education

After a two-year curriculum study, the general education committee is expected to release its findings this semester.

Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs and chairman of the committee, said the task has been a tough one.

"Our charge is very broad," said Belk. "Regardless of how strong our general education requirements have been in the past, the world is changing. What might have been appropriate in the past, we are now obligated to review."

The committee has tried to approach the process in an organized manner. First, the goals of general education are determined. The committee then examines Southern's courses to see if those goals are being fulfilled. In the end, it will decide if any changes are necessary.

"We haven't finalized anything," said College President Julio Leon. "We are working with writing across the curriculum. There might be more hours of general education."

"We are wanting to internationalize

our curriculum," he said.

Leon said the committee is looking at increasing the history requirement from three to six hours.

"The committee is coming up with some excellent recommendations," he said. "We are not as concerned with the number of hours. We will support more hours if it will benefit the students."

"In general, what I see looks very good to me."

Leon said he expects to see hours added to the general education requirement.

"It is safe to say that we will see more hours. I see all sorts of possibilities."

According to Leon, the committee will release its findings before the current semester ends.

The Faculty Senate will then consider the proposed changes.

"Students are not required to follow policies until they are in the general catalog," said Belk. "In the fall of 1989, incoming freshmen students will be subject to the new policies."



Classical music at Southern

The 101-member Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra, directed by Leonard Slatkin, performs a selection during its Tuesday night concert at Missouri Southern. Some 3,000 people attended the sold-out performance. See related story and photos on page 6. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Phon-A-Thon receives late pledges

Ending last Thursday with \$135,604 in pledges, the Phon-A-Thon is still reaching for its \$150,000 goal.

Sue Billingsly, director of the Missouri Southern Foundation, said her office has received close to \$3,000 in late donations.

"With the way it's looking now, yes, I do think we'll reach the goal—within the next few months," said Billingsly. "We have a couple of corporate gifts that are still out that might come in."

She said she believed the goal was set at \$150,000—\$40,000 over last year's goal—because of the College's 50th anniversary year.

"I felt like it (the Phon-A-Thon) was successful," said Kreta Gladden, alumni director. "A lot of that feeling comes from working with the volunteers."

"I think there was more enthusiasm this year by all of the volunteers—the students, faculty, alumni, and all of the staff," said Billingsly.

"I think the community involvement played a role in the Phon-A-Thon," she said. "Community leaders see the College as a great investment in the area's future."

Billingsly said the work with "wrapping up" this year's Phon-A-Thon includes filing, processing checks and receipts, and calling those people on the foundation's phone list who were not contacted during the two weeks the Phon-A-Thon ran. She said the bulk of this work should be completed in "about two months."

Said Billingsly, "I would like to, on the behalf of the Missouri Southern Foundation, thank everyone involved for their support and participation in making the sixth annual fund drive so special."



Narrates Lovejoy film

Maya Angelou, a noted black poet and television personality, narrates "The Vigil," which tells the story of Elijah Lovejoy. The film will be shown at 1 p.m. Monday in the Connor Ballroom.

Week to address issues 'Day in the Life' is theme of celebration

By Lee Hurn
Staff Writer

In keeping with a relatively new tradition, Missouri Southern will observe its annual Multi-Cultural Week beginning Monday.

A *Day in the Life* is the theme of this year's celebration, and according to Val Williams, coordinator of student activities, the events scheduled this year should be especially interesting.

"Each year, we try to present events that have not been done before to achieve the overall goal of Multi-Cultural Week, which is to address the issues concerning people from different backgrounds, different areas of the country, or different areas of the world," she said.

A new documentary film, *The Vigil*, will be shown at 1 p.m. Monday in the Connor Ballroom of the Billingsly Student Center. Narrated by Maya Angelou, the film tells the story of Elijah Lovejoy, a minister, newspaper editor, and abolitionist killed by a mob in 1837 because of his strong opposition to slavery.

Dr. Gary Cramer, the Missouri state archivist, will discuss major contributions of blacks to history, culture, and education in Missouri at 7 p.m. Monday in the Connor Ballroom. Cramer is the author of *Missouri's Black Heritage* and *George Washington Carver—In His Own Words*.

"We've never really addressed black issues before," Williams said. "In the past we've leaned more toward international things."

Another new event is the oriental rug show and sale, scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday in the second floor BSC lounge.

Members of the College faculty also are

serving as guest speakers. Brad Kleindl will speak on entrepreneurship overseas. Dr. Jim Jackson will discuss his trip to the British Isles, and Dr. Betty Ipoek will show slides of her trip to the Far East.

Teresa Massa, affirmative action officer at Pittsburg State University, will discuss the history and necessity of affirmative action programs at 9:30 a.m. Thursday.

Highlighting the week's activities will be a multi-media presentation by David Cohen at 1 p.m. Thursday. Cohen co-directed the projects which resulted in the books *A Day in the Life of the Soviet Union* and *A Day in the Life of America*. He will discuss the work that went into the projects, as well as the cultural differences that were encountered along the way, Williams says it "should be wonderful."

Sonny Glass, a Quapaw Indian entertainer, will present an authentic Indian dance at noon Friday in the Lions' Den.

Community response to Multi-Cultural Week has always been good, according to Doug Carnahan, director of student life. Carnahan formed the committee in 1984 that initiated Southern's first Multi-Cultural Week.

"The community has always been involved in the programs," he said. "Several area high schools have contacted us and will be bringing groups of students to attend the programs."

"The meals that are provided by the cafeteria are very well attended by the community," Williams said.

"We try to combine education and entertainment so that it seems more interesting to the student body and the community," Williams added. "If we accomplish that, then it does a lot of good."

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Open house will provide public 'first-hand look'

All campus areas will be featured at March 27 event

By Stephanie Davis
Staff Writer

Plans for an open house are underway to honor Missouri Southern's 50th anniversary and provide the community with a closer look at the campus.

"It's going to be a really exciting event," said Jean Campbell, staff assistant to the anniversary committee. "It will be a time when the families of faculty, staff, and students can come and see all areas of the College."

Campbell said the overall theme of the open house will be *A Golden Sunday at Southern*. The event will take place on March 27.

"It can really stand in its own merit," she said. "It will be a time when we can all be a little social and have folks over for the afternoon."

"All different areas of the College will be participating. We have a very good amount of participation from the faculty and staff."

Campbell said students will act as hosts and demonstrate projects in labs. She said the secretaries have put together cookbooks and "made a Missouri Southern quilt."

According to Campbell, 22,000 invitations have been printed.

"We have a mailing list for alumni, businesses, and prospective students," she said. "We would like to have them come and see what all we have here."

"Each area will develop its own approach to this event," said Dr. John

Messick, chairman of the sub-committee for the open house. "It will be an opportunity for each department to have demonstrations, displays, or receptions."

"It will also be an opportunity for visitors to meet the faculty," he said. "There will be a tour of this building (Reynolds Hall) with lab experiments and research projects to be demonstrated."

Each department, Messick said, will invite specific guests.

"It's an opportunity for each department to develop their own list of invited guests and to personalize the invitations," said Messick. "It's also a chance for the community to have a first-hand look at the campus."

Ideas are still being developed and arrangements being made, according to Messick.

"The grounds crew has planted tulips, so we should have a spectacular-looking campus," he said.

Messick said his sub-committee has made excellent contacts, and the departments have developed the concepts.

"It's going to require a lot of effort from a lot of people," he said. "We're pleased with the response we're getting so far."

Activities include a Spiva Art Center exhibit, tours of *The Chart* office and MSTV, a birthday celebration for KXMS, the dedication of channel K57DR, tours of various buildings and departments, and demonstrations of research projects.

"This will allow those who, through the course of their work, never see other parts of the campus to come and tour other areas," Campbell said.

Board gets good, bad news

Missouri Southern's Board of Regents received both good and bad news at Friday's meeting.

Dr. John Tiede, vice president for business affairs, said in his construction report the addition to Reynolds Hall is nearing completion.

"We expect to get the keys somewhere around the end of the month," said Tiede.

In his report, College President Julio Leon said applications for admission to Southern are being received every day. He expects the College will "be quite fine in the fall again."

"The honors program is receiving a large number of applications, and from a wider area," said Leon. "We have received a large number from the Springfield area that we have not had before."

According to Leon, the admissions staff is "cautiously optimistic."

Leon also reported to the Board the

outlook for funding is not a good one. He said unless the College gets a substantial increase in its funding, it will be forced to look at other possibilities for gaining operating monies.

"We may have to consider an increase in student fees," he said. "Other institutions in the state have already raised their tuition."

He said the College may have to think in terms of at least a 3 percent increase, perhaps more. He said nothing will be definite until late April or May, and there should be more information for the regents by the next meeting.

In other business, the Board approved the resignations of two faculty members: Dr. Roger Adams, assistant to the director of continuing education; and Dr. Betty Ipoek, director of nursing. (See related stories.)

Contemplating a decision



(Clockwise from top left) Members of the Missouri Southern Board of Regents include: Terry James, president; Russell Smith; Robert Higgins; Frank Dunaway; Bill Bentz, student regent; and John Phelps. (Chart photos by Melanie Hicks)

Student Senate reviews two complaints

Discussion at last night's Student Senate meeting ranged from the continued efforts to get photocopies in more buildings around campus, to concern over the editorial which ran in last week's issue of *The Chart*.

The treasurer's report stated there was \$7,105.38 in the budget. However, this report was changed to \$6,105.38 when it was stated that another campus organization had donated \$1,000 to the Courtney Carlisle fund, which was matched by the Senate.

This led to discussion dealing with the

editorial appearing in the Feb. 18 issue of *The Chart*.

Members of the Senate defended the Courtney Carlisle donation, stating that Jamie Carlisle, Courtney's older brother, was "forced" to drop out of Missouri Southern to raise money for his operation and did not leave by choice.

The \$2,000 allocation for the Senate's annual trip to Jefferson City was defended by several senators who stated that there was a "great need" to represent Southern by sponsoring such functions.

Junior senator Tina Meine dismissed

the editorial, stating that the majority of students she had spoken with had taken the editorial "with a grain of salt."

Meine said she believed the editorial was "an inflammatory article that was rather amusing."

Discussion later turned to the need for photocopies in some of the buildings on campus. After discussion, it was decided that the matter would be turned over to the grievance committee to further negotiate the issue with College officials.

College terminates continuing education post

With the recent termination of his position, Dr. Roger Adams, assistant to the director of continuing education, will leave Missouri Southern after 20 years of service.

"I knew it had a good chance of being a one-year position," said Adams.

The assistant's position was created in July after the College eliminated its automotive technology program, of which Adams was head. Adams received a let-

ter in December from Dr. Floyd Belk, vice president for academic affairs, notifying him of the position's cancellation.

"It didn't provide the results they hoped it would," he said. "This job was designed to increase the number of industrial courses and the number of students in technical training."

However, Adams claims some accomplishments: He established six continuing education classes this semester, promoted

the "60-plus" program, and worked with the College's new Elderhostel program.

Adams plans to leave Southern in mid-March to run his own automotive repair business in Joplin.

"I've enjoyed the time I've spent at Southern," he said. "I think they probably did me a favor in the long run. It's time to start something new."



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CBHE is right

As reported on page 9 of this publication, the Lake of the Ozarks region seeks a community college. In addition, Springfield officials have requested a two-year, technical college for their city.

But don't we have enough colleges and universities in this state already? Here we are in the middle of a controversy concerning funding for higher education. Presidents around the state say they are strapped for money, and that tuition will have to be raised as a result. So what is the solution? Adding two more colleges to the state system is not the answer.

If two more colleges are established, they also would require state funding. There isn't even enough to go around now. Where is Missouri supposed to come up with these additional dollars?

It has been reported that interested students in the proposed-college areas are being denied their right to higher education. Come on people, think about it. How many people drive to Missouri Southern from 45 to 60 miles away, or even farther for that matter?

Establishing more colleges will not solve the situation. If these people are truly desirous of education, they will drive the extra mile. Car pools, bus transportation, and even telecommunication courses are better solutions than adding new colleges.

So, more power to the CBHE for standing up and saying no to this point. More colleges mean less money for the ones in existence, less money means higher tuitions, and higher tuitions means taking money from the students' pockets.

In the long run, students and education would be the losers, not the winners.

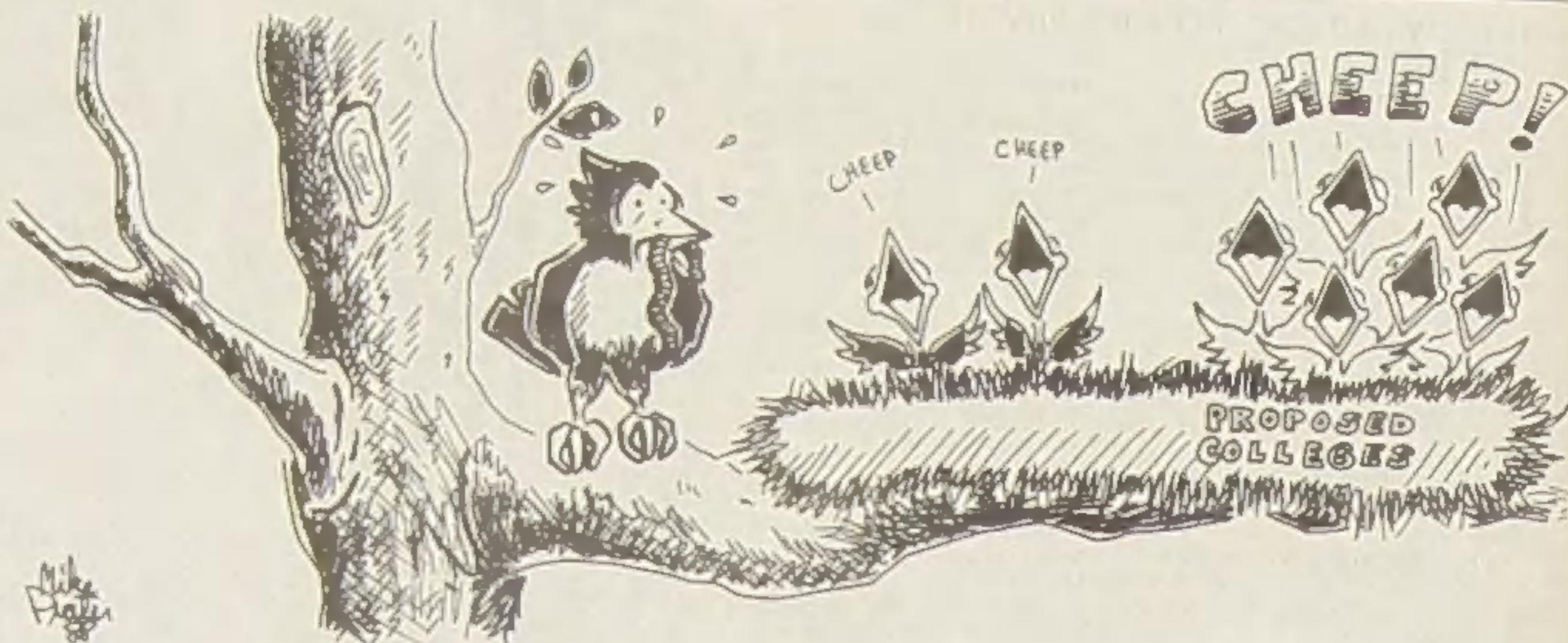
Dr. Betty Ipock

Simply stated, Missouri Southern is losing someone who has devoted her time and energies into making the nursing department the success it is today.

Dr. Betty Ipock, department head, has submitted her resignation. Her efforts in developing the nursing department and the bachelor of science degree in nursing at the College should be applauded.

However, no concrete reason has been given for her departure. "No comment" was the dominating phrase throughout an interview with Ipock. James Maupin, her dean, has even said that she has "made a very significant contribution" to the College. So why is she leaving?

Missouri Southern should make every effort to answer this question and persuade her to stay. If not, the College may be forced to watch Ipock develop a nursing program at a rival institution.



Atlanta convention opens many doors

By Lisa Clark
Campus Editor

EDITOR'S COLUMN

Recently, I was given a very special opportunity. As a *Chart* assignment, I was sent to Atlanta to cover a symposium on Women and the Constitution: A Bicentennial Perspective. What made this special was that it was convened by four former first ladies: Lady Bird Johnson, Pat Nixon, Betty Ford, and Rosalynn Carter.

The symposium's purpose was to discuss issues relevant to women and the fight to improve women's Constitutional rights.

When I was given the assignment, I was very excited because of the important people that would be present. I also was frightened at the prospect of being a college journalist covering this important event, and I didn't understand what the symposium was about—why this was such an important topic to discuss. I just thought it would be a big rally for ERA and affirmative action.

I was very pleased to discover after my arrival that all my fears were unnecessary. I discovered so much about the hopes and fears of women around the country.

As I listened to the speeches by Barbara Jordan, Geraldine Ferraro, Sandra Day O'Connor, and Coretta Scott King, and to the women in the panel discussions, I realized that everyone from the

politicians and judges of our nation to the housewives and blue collar workers were working toward the same goal. All they wanted was to give a place in history to women where they had been left out before. They also wanted to make the government aware of the concerns of women.

It really amazed me how all these people from different walks of life could get together and discuss this topic and in the end be so productive. All of the information developed at the convention is going to be compiled and then copies sent to the nation's policy makers and educators. They are going to develop a secondary education program of women's issues to be used in making young people more aware of what's been going on with the women's movement.

There was some talk of ERA and Affirmative Action, but it was mostly concerned with what women went through in the 1970s when the push was on for ratification. During this panel discussion, five ERA activists—including Erma Bombeck—told some hilarious stories about when they were together on the road fighting for ratification. Their stories made me realize how little I know about the women's movement and what so many people went through in waging the fight.

I also was given a great opportunity to see what it's like to be a professional journalist. I received full press privileges, giving me the right to attend all speeches, press conferences, panel discussions, and to request private interviews. It let me see how people feel about being approached by someone

wearing a press badge. They do not like it.

This was evident when you tried to approach one of the first ladies, as their Secret Servicemen were even more on guard. Some of the dignitaries even refused interviews. Everyone seemed more at ease to talk to the press during a press conference because there was a set amount of time for questioning, and they could easily ignore those questions they didn't want to answer.

I did, however, get a few private interviews. One in particular will always stick in my mind. I had requested interviews with Liz Carpenter, a journalist and consultant to Jimmy Carter during his presidency, and Erma Bombeck, a well-known columnist. Bombeck decided not to grant any interviews, but Carpenter set up a time with me.

I arrived for the interview, and we sat and talked for a few minutes in her room. Before long, Bombeck came in and joined us. I ended up talking with them for an hour and a half about everything from the women's movement to what I was doing in school and what I wanted to do after I graduated. As I look back, I wonder who asked more questions—them or me. They made me feel like I'd known them forever. It was probably the most memorable thing that happened to me at the convention.

All in all, the first ladies and everyone involved felt the convention was a great success. Personally, I was glad to be a part of it, and I think the first ladies accomplished their goal and more. I, too, learned much from the discussions and speeches. I just hope people will pay attention to what was developed at the conference and that all the work won't go to waste.

Black Collegians are keeping dream alive

By Keith Brown
President, Black Collegians

IN PERSPECTIVE

"Lift every voice and sing, Till the Earth and Heaven King, Ring with the Harmony of Liberty; Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies."

"Let it resound loud as the rolling sea. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us. Sing a song full of hope that the present has brought us. Facing the rising sun of our new day begun, let us march on till victory is won."

—James Weldon Johnson
These are the words



that constitute the Black National Anthem. As we all know, the entire month of February is observed as "Black History Month."

This is the time of the year when not just blacks but all races are educated about black history. We look back on all of the great black historians that struggled to make equality for blacks in America today.

Frederick Douglass, Harriet Tubman, George Washington Carver, Langston Hughes, and last but not least, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who was killed for challenging the great government of the United States. These are just a few of the black historians that we look back on.

Missouri Southern State College has something

here now that I believe will one day be recognized as black history named "Black Collegians."

The organization in which I, Keith L. Brown am founder and president, consists of unity and togetherness.

By having this group on the MSSC campus, we try to form a family-like bond among us. One of my favorite black historians is the late great Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. I believe that by forming the Black Collegians we are keeping his dream alive.

As we focus on Black History Month, let us also keep in mind that black history is not just for black Americans, but all Americans.

In closing, I would like to leave this thought with you.

"Don't look down on a man unless you are picking him up."

YOUR LETTERS

Please submit "Letters to the Editor" to The Chart office in Hearnes Hall 117 by noon Monday for publication in that week's edition. All letters must be typed or printed neatly, and signed. Letters of fewer than 300 words receive priority consideration.

Misinformation is running rampant

In regard to the editorial entitled "Senate Spending Runs Rampant," which appeared in the February 15 edition of *The Chart*, it seems that it is not Senate spending, but the editor's misinformation which is running rampant.

First, let us address the issue of the Courtney Carlisle fund donation. The editor has inferred that this allocation is in no way related to campus activities; however, in the

actual Senate resolution, it is provided that the Senate would match the greatest amount raised by a campus organization, thereby making money available as an incentive for participation in this fundraising endeavor.

Next, the allocation for the Jefferson City trip pays for, in addition to travel and lodging,

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Some people at College have an uncaring attitude

I've been attending Missouri Southern for some time now, and now that I'm a senior and approaching graduation, I'd like to know where the caring of the school is. I keep hearing about it, but I don't see it.

The other day, I read a sign over a man in the business office desk. It says, "The feelings of students are important." He must be a caring individual. But, I realized that everyone in the office doesn't live by that creed, as a supervisor came out of his office and actually yelled at a student and asked that campus security be called. That certainly didn't seem like a caring attitude.

As faculty meets and discusses the parking problem at the school, I'm further dismayed by the uncaring attitude of some. They want to lock the students' wheels to boots and fine them for parking in reserved spaces. I'm glad

that, so far, these "lovers of students" are in the minority.

The school has raised the level of the Dean's honor roll since I've been attending Southern to prove how sensitive they are to the needs and feelings of students.

When, by terrific effort and some stroke of luck, I did make the Dean's honor roll, the event was heralded by...nothing...no letter, no pat on the back, not even a hand shake, just recognition by a neighbor who happened to see my name in the paper.

What this school needs is a few more heroes. Men and women who will stand up and fight for the feelings of the students. While many members of the faculty are caring, sensitive, and helpful toward the students, it would be nice if they would become vocal and fight to keep the majority

who are uncaring wolves at bay.

A couple of days ago, I took back a shirt to a department store. The sales clerk who was helping me had inadvertently sold me one that was the wrong size. In taking back the shirt, I was given a lecture on how to return a shirt and why I shouldn't be doing it. I was treated like an unfeeling machine. Needless to say, I won't be returning to that store for a while.

After witnessing the uncaring attitude that has often existed during my school days at MSSC, how much do you think I'll want to donate to the patron's scholarship program? Better to give it to my old high school!

David Comm

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Auburn works to save Lincoln

Temporary president helps university with 'financial dilemma'

By Rob Smith
Executive Manager

Completing his seventh session as an acting college president in January, Dr. Norman Auburn may have kept struggling Lincoln University in Jefferson City afloat.

Auburn is a member of the Academy of Educational Development, which he describes as "a large group of professionals concerned with research, development, and consulting in higher education."

"I came in at the request of the Board of Curators to serve an indefinite period," said Auburn. "In this period I was to do two principle purposes. First, I maintain the administrative operation of the institution, and secondly, I expedite the search for a new president."

"I use the slang expression, 'I keep the store and work myself out of a job.'"

After his initial contact with the Board of Curators, Auburn first visited Lincoln in October 1986.

"Henry Givens, who is the president at Harris-Stowe, originally tried to help out," Auburn said. "He gave three days a week to Lincoln from Jan. 1, 1986, to June 30, 1987."

Auburn began his duties on July 15. One of his main concerns was to balance Lincoln's budget.

"In most of the institutions in which I have been called in, the institution has been in some kind of financial dilemma," he said. "I've had past experiences in working with tight budgets."

"On the other hand, the Lincoln situation was a little unique because it had a very large operating deficit. There was a lack of confidence among the faculty and students and the adherents of the institution as to whether it would be really via-

ble and be able to maintain its operation."

The interregnum president said his previous appointments as a college president made the Lincoln job a little easier.

"I was always able to relate to a new situation," Auburn said. "As I say, one is the sum total of his past experiences. You can use what you have learned before to help you take on greater experiences."

Auburn's "experiences" include stints as acting president of Polytechnic University in Brooklyn, West Virginia University, Cedar Crest College, Salem (Mass.) St. College, Union College in Schenectady, N.Y., and Stephens College in Columbia. Auburn said his tasks have been similar at each institution.

"Every place I have been, save one, the president that I was influential in hiring is still in," he said. "I think that's remarkable when you have the turnover that you have in the presidency. And the only one who isn't there was at the institution for seven years. That was Stephens College."

According to Auburn, sometimes prospective colleges do not understand his role as an acting president.

"Boards of trustees have asked me to be a hatchet man," he said. "If you want me for that, I'm not your man."

"I've got cat's whiskers. I know how far to go. I'm going to do a conscientious job, nurturing this institution. I'm trying to be a healing influence."

Auburn said he has gained much insight into the responsibilities of a college president during his seven "stints."

"The job of a college president in this country is a demanding one for the person who permits it to be so," he said. "I never was able to do it any other way. Now, as an acting president, I haven't kept up quite the same schedule."

According to Auburn, it is difficult for a college president to find time for "so many publics." He said everyone wants the president's time.

"It's sometimes said that the institution is the length and shadow of one person," said Auburn. "If you say that, the faculty might be offended. They are important."

"But on the other hand, there isn't anybody on the college campus who can look at the institution in a complete overall fashion like the president. Only the president can keep in mind the needs of the total institution."

Although Auburn has been involved in education for more than 50 years, he said he was not originally interested in becoming a college administrator.

"As an undergraduate at the University of Cincinnati, I expected to go into a business career," he said. "I started out that way with a trade association. My first position that took advantage of my journalistic abilities was to edit a trade journal, *The Cincinnati Constructor*. I did that from 1928 until 1933."

"But in 1929, the stock market crash wiped out all construction. During the Depression, I became alumni secretary at the University of Cincinnati. I have been in education ever since. You could say that the Depression forced me back into education."

Although Auburn has held several positions in education, he said the acting presidencies are the most interesting.

"It's never easy, but it's always stimulating and exciting," he said.

"I think I've got the record. I don't know if anyone in the country who has had as many temporary—I call them 'rented'—presidencies."



Acting president

Dr. Norman Auburn, who left Lincoln University in January, played an active role in the selection of the institution's new president, Dr. Wendell Rayburn. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Administrator wants to eliminate remaining deficit in 1989

By Rob Smith
Executive Manager

After facing a \$1.3 million deficit and a decreasing enrollment, Lincoln University in Jefferson City is now operating on a balanced budget.

According to Dr. Wendell Rayburn, Lincoln's new president, his school has rebounded from its previous difficulties.

"Looking at our budget for this year, we will stay well within it," Rayburn said. "We will even have some surplus. It might not be much, but it will be something."

While the deficit was at more than \$1.3 million 15 months ago, the university's debt has been reduced to about \$250,000. Rayburn credits Dr. Norman Auburn, who served as Lincoln's acting president until Jan. 15, for having reduced the deficit.

"He did a magnificent job while he was here," Rayburn said. "He brought in some of the right people."

Although the debt has been reduced, Rayburn realizes the deficit still exists.

"It's been a commitment by everyone

on campus that has enabled us to decrease the debt," he said. "I hope to be able to announce by June 1989 that this institution is out of debt."

"I realize that is ambitious, but we believe we can set and accomplish our ambitious goals."

In addition to the deficit, a decreasing enrollment has been a concern of university administrators. With the decreasing enrollment came a decline in the number of students using Lincoln's residence halls. Currently, enrollment is near 2,400, and the residence halls are about 50 percent full.

"I would like to see our enrollment increase 5, 6, 7, or even 8 percent each year," Rayburn said. "We need a steady increase."

"I hope that in three years I can look and see some significant progress and increases."

While attracting new students to Lincoln is a concern, Rayburn said another problem has been keeping those students who enroll at the university.

"We need to develop a good retention rate," he said. "Students were starting at

Lincoln, but they weren't staying in school or they were going someplace else."

Rayburn said as the enrollment increases, so will the number of students living on campus.

"We are going to make every attempt to expand our student recruiting efforts," he said. "I would like to see more international students on this campus."

One of Rayburn's goals is to establish several "centers of excellence within the campus."

"I see this institution concentrating and focusing on several different areas," he said. "It is a top priority to establish a strong school of business at Lincoln. We will also establish a four-year computer science degree."

Rayburn also cited the "life sciences and public administration" as areas he would like the university to stress.

"I also have one other immediate and long-range goal," he said. "I want to develop close ties with the community. I want to continue expanding our continuing education program."

While Rayburn hopes to provide Lin-

coln students with a good education in the classroom, he also is hoping he can provide students with other experiences.

"We want to have a good student life program," he said. "We're going to look at athletics. I would like to build a good, solid program. But it has to add to the overall program. I want it to be something all of us can be proud of."

Although Rayburn began his duties at Lincoln just over one month ago, it is not his first experience with a troubled, traditionally black institution. Since 1980 he was president of Savannah (Ga.) State College, which also experienced financial problems and decreasing enrollment.

The new Lincoln president, a native of Detroit, believes his previous experiences will aid him.

"I have the full advantage of 10 years of experience," Rayburn said. "That experience will help."

"It's a difficult job, but I'm glad I have it. I'm glad to be here."



Dr. Wendell Rayburn

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ing expenses of participating senators, a luncheon for Missouri Congressmen. There is certainly no trick in convincing the student body that this is a beneficial event; it need only be pointed out that the students here attend a state funded college and state funds come from state legislature.

Finally, had the editor checked page five of the same edition in which this editorial appeared, the statement concerning the Senate running a deficit in January may be quickly

dismissed as being irrelevant. The money in question here may have been appropriated, but there was no outlay of funds at that time. In closing, it may be indicated that the manner in which this editorial was written reflects a degree of incompetency and a lack of professionalism on the part of the individual responsible and even the staff of *The Chart*.

Brent Clark

Racism will continue to exist

It is rare that I write in *Julio's* propaganda rag and business weekly, but the issues involved seem important enough for me to lower myself and write my ideas on toilet paper.

I have recently read many letters in *The Chart* about the Coach Williams affair. Much of what I have read condemns Williams for using the ethnopolism "nigger." Some does not. The incident has raised many questions. Should Williams be fired? Should he be suspended? Should the administration be responsible for the words and actions of faculty members? To these questions there is only one answer. The point is moot.

It matters very little whether or not Williams is suspended, fired, shot, or rewarded. Racism (and sexism and workers' exploitation) will exist in this country and in this world so long as the present exploitative system exists. How can one in good conscience and

with any moral force treat as equal American minorities and at the same time exploit world minorities? How can America be free when U.S. factories prop up the government of apartheid torn South Africa? How can America be free when U.S. financiers enslave Indian peasants on Brazilian sugar plantations? How can America be free when the United States government arms and finances a group of drug-running, man-murdering ex-Somozans who are attempting to overthrow the popular government of Nicaragua.

Coach Williams seems but a minor drop in the sea of blood and racism that is the trademark of American imperialism. Racism and exploitation shall remain at home so long as exploitation and racism remain abroad.

Robert Piatt



Rebounding institution

Lincoln University in Jefferson City was founded in 1866 by blacks who had served in the Union Army. After the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court decision banning segregated schools, it became more of a community university with increased white enrollment. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

ROTC runs for charity

Raising funds for cerebral palsy and generating more interest in college athletics were the purposes behind a "Basketball Run" last week.

Members of the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) participated in the Feb. 17 run to Pittsburg State University. The Lady Lions basketball team battled PSU that night.

Runners included Sergeant First Class Carl Brown, Cam Campbell, Todd Cornelison, Doug Christerson, Tim DeWeese, Laura Donatti, Captain Mike Hellams, Jon Johns, Dennis Joseph, Evie Kendall, Roger Koch, Joe Pease, Eurika Uta, Jeff Wellman, Jeff Winters, and Stan Young.

"All the runners were volunteers," said Donatti, ROTC public relations officer.

Prior to the run, participants gathered the support of sponsors who pledged various amounts of money for the event.

"We had a table set up at basketball home games (for the Lady Lions) along with cans for donations," Donatti said.

Donatti said "around \$200" was raised

due to the efforts of the runners.

As for the actual run itself, two support vehicles were used.

"The runners were also drivers," Donatti said. "We switched off."

All the participants ran the first half mile and the last mile together.

"We were running eight- to nine-minute miles," Donatti said.

Donatti said the basketball was passed around and alternated from runner to runner.

"We stayed on the backroads," she said. "Traffic was never a problem."

It took the runners approximately four hours and 15 minutes to arrive at PSU. "We were flying," Donatti said.

Jeff Wellman, a run participant, said: "During the run, it was sleeting on us. The Corps is to be commended for their efforts."

Said Donatti, "I think the Lady Lions really appreciated us doing it. I think almost everybody that went enjoyed themselves."

Pageant deadline closes in

Applications are now available for the Miss Twin Counties Pageant, to be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 12 in the new Carthage High School auditorium.

The pageant is an official preliminary pageant for the Miss Missouri pageant to be held later this year in Mexico, Mo.

Contestants will compete in the areas of interview, talent, evening gowns, and swimsuit. Each applicant must be a female between the ages of 17-26, and must graduate from high school by Labor Day 1988. All participants also must attend school, reside, or be employed in

either Jasper, Newton, McDonald, Barton, or Vernon counties in Missouri.

The local winner will compete in the Miss Missouri pageant. She will receive scholarships donated by local colleges. Many area businesses also will present the contestants with awards.

Applications are now available at Rousseau's Photography, 421 N. Joplin in Joplin, and at the Carthage Area Chamber of Commerce on the north side of the Carthage square. Additional information also is available by writing P.O. Box 2943, Joplin, Mo. 64803, or by calling (417) 624-7677.

Lecture series to begin Tuesday

Speeches to deal with issues involving lifestyles

Beginning Tuesday and continuing throughout March, the Ecumenical Center will sponsor a lecture series.

"We chose this time of the year because it is Lent, when we are supposed to be examining ourselves and our lifestyles in light of the Resurrection of Christ," said Debbie Kyser, campus minister for the Ecumenical Center.

The series will begin Tuesday with a lecture by Debbie Vial, a member of the John Calvin Presbyterian peace-making task force. She will present a slide show on her trip to Nicaragua with the task force.

On Tuesday, March 8 the Rev. Rick Ott from the First Presbyterian Church of Joplin will be the speaker. His lecture will deal with the Bible and money.

The lecture series will then conclude on March 22 with a lecture by Dr. Holland

Blades of the Missouri Southern school of business faculty. He will discuss business ethics.

"We tried to select topics that deal with lifestyles," said Kyser. "We also wanted to bring these issues up in front of the student body."

All lectures will begin at 12:25 p.m. in Room 306 of the Billingsly Student Center. Before each lecture, persons are encouraged to bring their lunch and visit with the guest speaker.

"We are not so much offering answers as raising questions," said Kyser.

The Ecumenical Center is a chartered student organization. There are no requirements for joining. Currently, some 25 students and faculty are involved.

For more information, persons may contact Kyser at 623-3733.

Pounding the pavement



Cadet ball run (Top) ROTC cadets discuss their run prior to leaving for Pittsburg State University last week. (Above) The cadets begin their run, led by Tim DeWeese. (Chart photos by Steve Womack)

Students establish local choir

Founded by Keith Brown one year ago, Voices of Praise is "booming with success."

The 13-member gospel choir, consisting of youths from area black churches and a few Missouri Southern students, performs at area church services.

"Friday night we performed at Trinity Methodist Church, and Sunday we performed at Handy Chapel in Joplin," said Brown.

"We rehearse at 5 p.m. every Sunday at Trinity Methodist," he added. "Different churches have programs and ask us to sing sometimes at their morning worship services and some evening services."

Brown also serves as the director of Voices of Praise.

"The reason I started the choir is because this is my hobby," said Brown, the director of a 135-voice choir at a St. Louis church. "The reason I am involved is because I love gospel music and I'm so used to singing it back home. I didn't want to lose that when I came up here, so I started one here."

Brown, who said he has been singing for 18 years, believes the new choir is a success.

"We're much better this year," he said. "My mother, who is an excellent first soprano and who sings in my choir back home, is my inspiration," said Brown. "She is the reason I'm so much involved. My sister also sings in the choir."

Members of the Voices of Praise include Orlando Smith, Paul Brown, James Gallaway, Addie Caddis, Jackie Thomas, Joyce Falls, Raquel England, Penny Roberts, Renee Grayson, and Stephanie Thomas. Ed McCoy and Stacey Gardner are new members.

Luncheon to unite organizations at Capitol

Student Senate, Chamber of Commerce to voice concerns to state legislators

In an attempt to regionalize their efforts, the Joplin Chamber of Commerce and the Missouri Southern Student Senate will co-host a luncheon at the State Capitol Tuesday.

"It will present a united front in Jefferson City," said Blake Schreck, executive vice president of the Joplin Chamber of Commerce. "I believe it will make more of an impact (on the legislators)."

For approximately 100 years the chamber has made an annual trip to Jefferson City to host a luncheon and cocktail party for the legislators. This is the first year it will be a joint effort with the

Student Senate.

"We accidentally found out that we had planned to have our luncheon the same day as Missouri Southern," said Schreck.

The idea was then developed through Doug Carnahan, adviser to the Student Senate, that they co-host the luncheon on Tuesday.

The chamber is planning on meeting with Gov. John Ashcroft before the luncheon. Carl Coupal, head of Missouri economic development, and Wayne Muri, head of the highway department, will speak to the group.

The 60-70 chamber members will then be given the opportunity to do some individual lobbying. The day will end with a cocktail party for the legislators.

Schreck said two main concerns of the chamber are the Highway 71 and Interstate 29 placements and the economic development of southwest Missouri.

The Student Senate is mainly concerned with promoting the College to the legislators.

The Student Senate and chamber each put forth \$1,500 to pay for the luncheon.

"Carnahan and the people from Southern have been great," said Schreck.

Upcoming Events

	Today			
	Sigma Tau Delta meeting 2 p.m. BSC-310 & 306	Interviews for management trainee at Hiland Dairy for information call 625-9343	Interviews for part-time position with Meeks Building Centers for information call 625-9343	Women's Basketball vs John Brown University 7 p.m. away
	Tomorrow			
	CLUB	Young Democrats meeting noon BSC-306		Deadline for applying to be a student teacher this fall is March 11 in Taylor-224
	Weekend			
	Baseball vs Concordia College of Nebraska noon home		Pitt State	Men's Basketball vs Pittsburg State University 7:30 p.m. home
	Monday			
	Honors Colloquium 2 p.m. BSC-314	International Variety Show 11 a.m. Lions' Den	Missouri's Black History lecture 7 p.m. Connor Ballroom	CAB Movie 8:30 p.m. Monday and 7:30 p.m. & 9:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Barn Theatre
	Tuesday			
	Oriental Rug Show and Sale all-day in 2nd floor lounge of BSC through Wednesday	Entrepreneurship Overseas lecture 9:30 a.m. BSC-314	LDSSA meeting noon BSC-311	A Pulse in the Sun
	Wednesday			
	International Round Table noon BSC-313	Interviews with Kansas City, Ks. public schools for information call 625-9343	Interviews for district manager with Franklin Life Insurance Co. for information call 625-9343	Student Senate meeting 5:30 p.m. BSC-310

MID-TERM CLASSES

Course Title	Credit	Hour	Days	Instructor
Prin. of Accounting I	3	1-3:15	TTh	Huey
Intro. to Micro Use	3	1-3:45	TTh	White
T/L Firearms Aspects	3	4-6:30	TTh	Williams
Hum. Rel. for Employ.	1	4-4:50	TTh	Disharoon
Legal Aspects*	1	8-9:15	TTh	Kleindl
Human Relations*	1	9-9:50	MWF	Kleindl
Mchndis/Inv Plan*	1	11-11:50	MWF	Kleindl
Intro. to Law Enforc.	3	1-2:15	M-Th	Spurlin
Survival Skills	2	9-9:50	WF	Brown
Survival Skills Lab		1-2:50	M	Brown
Music Appreciation	3	8-9	DAILY	Thelen
Theory of Soccer	1	1-1:50	TTh	Bodon
Essent Skills Phys**	3	2:30-3:45	M-Th	Phillips
Govt US State Local	3	2-3:15	M-Th	Yates
General Psychology	3	2-3:15	M-Th	Volskay
Self Aw./Career Dev.	1	9-9:50	MW	Karst
Self Aw./Career Dev.	1	11-11:50	MW	Vermillion
Self Aw./Career Dev.	1	6:30-8:45	Th	Vermillion
Soc. of Health Care	3	1-2:15	M-Th	Gubera
Theatre Lab	1	1-3	TTh	Claussen
Mchndis/Inv. Plan***	1	6:30-9:15	T	Kleindl
Rapid Reading		1-1:50	TTh	Dursky

* Meets March 28-May 5

** Pre-requisite is Math 140 or equivalent

*** Meets March 29-May 5

Registration for these courses will be held Friday March 4 in the Registrar's Office lobby in Hearnese Hall, from 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Classes begin the week of March 7 and continue through the end of the semester. The last day to drop a mid-term class with a "W" will be Thursday, April 7.

Performance attracts crowd of 3,000

Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra concert has an 'air of expectation'

By Brenda Kilby
Staff Writer

Performing to an estimated crowd of 3,000, Leonard Slatkin led the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra in a performance described as "hypnotic" and full of intensity by some observers.

"It was great," said Jean Campbell, staff assistant to the 50th anniversary committee. "Slatkin was directing and jumping around, and at one point both feet were in the air."

"It was very hypnotic to watch, with all those bows and hands working in the same direction," Campbell added.

Kevin Doss, a Missouri Southern junior who served as usher and host at the patron's party following the concert, said the audience was very excited.

"There was a feeling in the air of expectation before the music started," he

said.

Doss said concert-goers seemed energized by the performance.

"They all stood up at the end and gave Slatkin a standing ovation," he said.

Following the concert, persons who had purchased tickets to the patron party mingled in the Spiva Art Center to drink punch, munch on hors d'oeuvres, and meet Leonard Slatkin.

"About 175 tickets (at \$20 each) were sold, and we had about 135 people there," Doss said.

The party was held in the exhibit hall where the cartoon exhibit is currently showing.

"Everyone enjoyed looking at them and laughing," he said. "It was ideal."

Jo Ann Robinson, a junior at Southern, served punch at the reception.

"I served Leonard Slatkin his punch," she said. "I thought he was friendly and

pleasant."

Food served at the reception received rave reviews, Robinson said.

"Several people commented on how good the food was, and from their plates I'd say they enjoyed it," she said.

Campbell, who also attended the patron's reception, was there when Leonard Slatkin arrived.

"He had a skip in his step, seemed energetic, and had a high energy level," she said. "He had a little bag with him, slung over his shoulder, and he had changed clothes."

Campbell said Slatkin must have changed clothes in a hurry, because instead of the tuxedo he had worn while conducting the orchestra, he was dressed in a suit.

"I assumed he was carrying the tux in the bag," Campbell said.



Drama would be rated 'R'

'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof' is expected to open April 20

By Dorothy Shipley
Staff Writer

Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, which opens April 20 in Taylor Auditorium, will be the first play containing strong language and adult themes performed at Missouri Southern.

"This is an extremely adult drama," said Duane Hunt, play director. "If this were a movie, it would have an 'R' rating."

"This is a steamy adult drama, and the language in the play is definitely adult," Hunt said. "The 'F' word is in the play, and both 'Big Daddy' and 'Brick' say it."

Scheduled to run three nights, the Tennessee Williams classic will feature Rob Luther in the role of Brick and Samantha Wyer as Maggie. Todd Yearton has been cast as Big Daddy.

"There is no one star in this play," Hunt said. "We have what is called an ensemble cast."

Other cast members include Melissa Cytron as Mae, Allan Lay as Cooper, Janet Kemm as Big Mama, John Kerney as Dr. Baugh, Jerry Cooper as Reverend Tooker, and Cindy Henry as Lacey.

A movie based on Tennessee Williams' three-act play, also called *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*, played in theatres in the 'middle to late 1950s,' according to Hunt.

"The movie starred Elizabeth Taylor as Maggie, Paul Newman as Brick, and Burl Ives as Big Daddy," he said. "It was a very popular film."

"We are very excited about our cast," Hunt said. "We have never done this show

because we didn't feel we had enough good actors all at one time before."

Still to be cast, Hunt said, are five children's parts.

"The child actors are isolated from the 'R-rated' scenes during rehearsals and will be isolated during the show," said Hunt.

"We're not going to ban anybody, but we highly recommend that people under 18 be accompanied by a parent or guardian."

Hunt said the plot of *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* is based upon what Big Daddy calls "Mendacity," focusing on the destructive nature of lying to yourself and others.

"It is an examination—almost a surgery into the human psyche," said Hunt.

The setting of the play is Maggie and Brick's bedroom on an old Mississippi plantation. It is a drama, but Hunt said the play also was humorous in many respects.

Tennessee Williams wrote two versions of the play, according to Hunt. The original was written for a Broadway production in 1955; the second version was written in 1974 for the Stratford, Conn., Theatre, and is the version for this production.

The play portrays many typical Tennessee Williams themes, according to Hunt, who cites as an example the domineering father image in *Big Daddy*.

"This derives from Williams' feelings for his own father," he said. "It depicts a patient, long-suffering wife who puts up with her husband and his executions—Big Mama."

'The Serpent and the Rainbow' need not rise from the dead

By Chris Quanton
Staff Writer

Rating: ★★½
(out of ★★★★★)

Consider the following: There are things in this world which conventional science cannot, for whatever reason, explain. Psychic phenomena. Ghosts. Unidentified Flying Objects. Now, we have a substance known as Tetrodotoxin. I'll explain about it later. For now, let me tell you about a movie which has a plot that revolves around this substance.

The Serpent and the Rainbow is based on a true story. If you're curious about the title, here's what it means: In voodoo, the Serpent is the symbol for Earth, while the Rainbow stands for Heaven. The words which were used to open the movie also said that, since man has a soul, he can find himself caught between the two.

Dr. Dennis Allen is an anthropologist who is offered a very interesting job opportunity by an old friend of his who is the head of a pharmaceutical company. It seems that a Haitian man, who had supposedly died several years earlier, comes back from the grave. Allen is shown a photograph of this Christof Duran, who looks very much alive.

"Someone brought him back from the dead," Allen is told. "Why not go to Haiti and find out what's going on?"

While in Haiti, Allen meets many people, all of whom eventually assist him in one way or another. His main "companion" is Mariel, a female psychiatrist.

The film's antagonist is Captain Petrol, who is the leader, as I understand it, of some sort of secret police force.

Anyway, Allen and Mariel find Christof in a graveyard at nighttime. They discover he was "made to do evil things" by a man

who controlled him because of a powder which was absorbed through Christof's skin. Unfortunately, Christof gets away from them. During the rest of the film, they continue searching for all the pieces to this perplexing puzzle.

So many things happen to Dr. Allen and Mariel, that it would take too much time to go over it all. Just suffice it to say that they emerge as real heroes by the end of the movie.

One thing I must mention is that the lovemaking scene between Allen and Mariel was not exploitative. The camera focused on their faces and not their anatomy.

No movie is perfect, and *The Serpent and the Rainbow* is not an exception. During many of the scenes, Allen's dreams are interspersed with reality (Then again, what is reality?).

Captain Petrol does not want our heroes to discover the secret of the powder.

Anyhow, Petrol's men capture Allen. In one scene, Petrol appears to castrate the good doctor with a large nail. A short time later, the viewer discovers Allen is all right. I consider something like that to be not only misleading but also in bad taste.

It occurred to me that the voodoo symbol of the Serpent could be comparable to the one which appeared in the biblical story of Genesis. But, I'm not going to say either way because I'm not certain.

Earlier, I mentioned Tetrodotoxin, which is the powder's active ingredient.

To this day, those investigating it have not been able to determine how it can place someone in a dead-like state.

In the end, I think it's a story of two peoples' love overcoming tremendous circumstances. In one sense, I also think it is an examination of that part of the soul which is noble.

Even if you don't care for horror, you may want to see it anyway. You might just learn something.



Symphony visits College

(Top) Members of the Saint Louis Symphony Orchestra arrive at the Joplin Municipal Airport Tuesday afternoon. (Above) The Saint Louis Symphony performs in Taylor Auditorium at Missouri Southern before a sold-out house. (Chart photos by Sean Vanslyke)

Theatre production to run March 5 and 6

Dramatizing the legendary British monarch, *King Arthur's Sword*, the spring production of the children's theatre wing will open with a dramatic dueling tournament on Saturday, March 5.

The play, which depicts the life of Arthur before he becomes King, will be performed at 3 p.m. March 5 and 6 in Taylor Auditorium.

The title role of Arthur will be played by Todd Webber. Pat Creech will act the part of Kay, Arthur's friend. Appearing as Guinevere will be Machel Stoker.

Other players include Tracy Eden as Sir Pellinore, Richard Wood as The Duke, Sandra Stokes as Merlin, Julia Cole as Lady Elaine, and Mike Daugherty as The Archbishop.

Production stage manager is Don

Hovis, and Laura Montgomery is assistant stage manager.

Tickets, which may be purchased at the box office, are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children 12 and under. Groups of 10 or more may reserve seats in advance by calling the theatre department office at 625-9393.

Coming Attractions

<i>Joplin metro area</i>	'Snakes—Friends and Foes' Film Saturday & Sunday Carver National Monument		Exhibit 'Ozark High School Artwork' Sunday & Monday Crowder College	
		Reba McIntire 5 & 7 p.m. March 5 Joplin Memorial Hall		King Arthur's Sword 5 p.m. March 5 & 6 Taylor Auditorium
<i>Kansas City</i>	'Mama, I Want to Sing' 8 p.m. Tomorrow-Saturday Midland Center	Chamber Orchestra Tomorrow White Recital Hall UMKC Conservatory	African Lecture Series Saturday & Sunday Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art	Conservatory Orchestra Sunday White Recital Hall UMKC Conservatory
	Squeeze w/ Ten Thousand Maniacs March 4 Kansas City Memorial Hall		Sting March 7 Kansas City Memorial Hall	
<i>Elsewhere</i>	'American Art Deco' Exhibit thru Sunday Philbrook Museum of Art Tulsa		Max Zax Jazz Festival Tomorrow Ellis Recital Hall SMSU Springfield	

Movie Review



Special session Dave Wubbolding, a reporter for KSN-TV (center) interviews three members of the Joplin City Council after their special meeting Tuesday afternoon. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Eastgate Theater offers \$1 movies

Management anticipates business will double due to decreased prices

By Anastasia Umland
Staff Writer

The increasing number of theaters, coupled with a jump in home video rentals, has caused a local theater to make a drastic change.

"The Eastgate is offering movies for only \$1—any movie, any time," said Ed Carl, manager of the Mall Five Theaters. Eastgate, Mall Five, and Northpark Cinemas are all owned by Dickinson Theaters.

Joplin has seen the expansion from just seven movie theaters a year ago to 18 movie theaters now. Dickinson owns all of the theaters, except for six operated by Mid America Cinema in the Sears Plaza.

"The other theaters have affected our business a bit," said Carl. "It just splits up the pie a bit more. The movie business is highly competitive."

Carl said the offer will last indefinitely,

as the theater is seeing a substantial increase in attendance. Carl is anticipating the attendance to at least double.

"This offer is making movies more affordable for everyone," he said.

The home video business has hurt the theaters' business. Owning VCRs has discouraged many people from paying the high cost at the theaters. For instance, an adult ticket at the Northpark Cinemas costs \$4.

"The special price will benefit the average American who wants to get as much for his money as possible," said Carl.

According to Carl, the home video industry also has assisted the movie theaters.

"Home videos have gotten people used to watching movies again," he said.

The reduction in admission price will not affect the theater's profit, based on projections by Bill Burnett, operations manager for Dickinson Theaters.

"We did very well last week, and we are looking forward to a steady increase," he said.

"We make a good percentage of our profit from concession stand sales," said Carl. "We pay a rental fee for the movie based on a percentage of the number of tickets sold."

Burnett said Eastgate was chosen because it is a second-run movie house.

The principle of first and second movie houses is the basis of determining the cost of the tickets," he said. "The first-run houses get the movies that are very current and very hot. The public is willing to pay a bit more to see these movies."

Currently, Eastgate is showing *Cinderella*, *Empire of the Sun*, *Fatal Attraction*, *Planes, Trains, and Automobiles*, and *Thru Momma From the Train*.

Joplin hospital to sponsor nutrition fair

By Jimmy Sexton
Staff Writer

March will be observed as National Nutrition Month, and St. John's Regional Medical Center will participate by sponsoring a nutrition fair.

"March is National Nutrition Month all across the United States," said Anne Marie Hunter, director of clinical nutrition services at St. John's.

This year's theme is "Choose Good Nutrition for Today and Tomorrow."

In observance of this month, the registered dietitians of clinical nutrition services at St. John's will sponsor a nutrition fair on Sunday, March 6, from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the J.C. Penney court at the Northpark Mall.

The fair will consist of 10 booths dealing with the following subjects: cancer, calcium, exercise, weight control, nutrition and aging, blood sugar testing, risks of heart disease, a children's puppet show, blood pressure screening, and a computer analysis of food intake.

"These booths will provide an education of the different aspects of nutrition through the life cycle," said Hunter.

Hunter hopes for an even greater showing at the fair than last year.

"Last year we had a great turnout," she said. "Having it by J.C. Penney's is good because it depends upon where you're stationed whether you're going to be successful or not."

The primary reason, or goal of the nutrition fair, is to provide the community

with a "basic, fundamental nutrition program and help them make the right choices with their food."

Along with the booths, the dietitians will be distributing free balloons, stickers, apples, and pamphlets to interested persons.

In addition to the fair, the nutrition services staff of four registered dietitians will "do a lot of television spots, such as food preparation on the Carol Parker Show on KSN-TV."

Hunter said she would like to generate as much publicity as possible in order to have a better turnout of people.

"St. John's has a commitment to the community," she said, "and part of our role is to provide the community with an education of nutrition."

City to add sewer line

\$1.6 million federal grant will fund project

By John Ford
Assistant Editor

With work beginning in either May or June, city officials anticipate the construction of 36,000 feet of sewer line.

"We hope to have the project completed late this year," said Harold McCoy, director of public works in Joplin.

City officials were notified Feb. 17 of a \$1.6 million federal grant for the project.

"The project will provide additional capacity in the existing sewer system," McCoy said. "We plan to replace and/or enlarge existing lines which are in poor condition."

The project plans for the construction and/or renovation of five interceptor sewers.

"An interceptor acts as a main collector; it collects wastewater and takes it to the treatment plant," said McCoy.

According to McCoy, there is still work to be done on the city's sewer system.

"This is the last grant we'll get under the present funding formula," he said. "In the future, we'll be strictly on a loan program."

Areas where the projects will occur are scattered throughout the city, but include northwest, southwest, northeast, and east

central parts of town.

"There is a project in every quadrant of the city, not in any particular area of the city," said McCoy.

Costs for the project have been estimated at \$3 million. Funding for the project is being provided by the state through such means as money derived from a recent bond issue, and the city budget, which has already set money aside.

While state funding represents 25 percent of the money needed for the renovation, and city funding represents 20 percent, the Environmental Protection Agency's grant provides 55 percent of funds.

"The grant saves us from raising money for the project," McCoy said. "The project would probably have never been done without the grant."

In a special session held Tuesday, the Joplin City Council accepted the grant offer.

In addition to the acceptance of the grant, Council members also discussed a proposed ordinance which would repeal measures banning liquor sales during state and general elections. Action on the bill would allow local liquor stores and taverns to make plans concerning the operation of their businesses during the March 8 Presidential primaries.

Combs enters district race

Joplin Board of Education accepts resignation

By John Ford
Assistant Editor

While desiring to remain involved in public education, but on the state level, Loyd Combs has thrown his hat into the political arena.

"I have filed for state representative from the 127th district," said Combs, a 14-year member of the Joplin Board of Education. "I felt I should leave the Board because I didn't want anyone to think I was using my position to advance politically."

The Board should concern itself with children and their needs," Combs added. "It's not to be used for personal gain."

The Board accepted Combs' resignation Tuesday night. According to the calculations of one Board member, he attended more than 300 meetings during his tenure.

The spot Combs hopes to obtain is now held by Roy Cagle (R-Joplin), who is running for the Seventh Congressional District seat. If Combs' bid is successful, he said he will make his views on public education known.

"I'm heavily committed to public education," he said. "Public education is the only way out for a lot of youngsters."

One area Combs believes important is the role of religion in public education. Before turning in his resignation, he presented a report on a recent meeting of

the National School Boards Association, which he attended in Washington, D.C. The meeting centered upon censorship in the schools.

"In the future, you will see a big demand for the teaching about religion and religion's relationship to the Constitution in public schools," said Combs. "This relationship is important to the development of the United States. In the future, you will see religion referred to more often in textbooks. Currently, it has not been emphasized."

As if in response to this issue, Joplin High School began offering a course this semester featuring the Bible as literature.

Combs cited one major problem in the Joplin R-8 school system.

"A major problem in the current public school system is a lack of interest on the part of students," Combs said. "Students don't seem to appreciate the opportunity they have in the public schools."

Serving on the Board of Education for 14 years has enabled Combs to note changes in public education.

"It has changed to a great extent," he said. "You see more special education now than 14 years ago. There's a greater emphasis on special education."

It is currently unknown who will replace Combs on the Board.

"The Board will appoint someone," he said.

Apartments will provide alternatives for residents

By Steve Moore
Staff Writer

In an attempt to provide an alternative to Joplin residents, the Lindsey Construction Company has built the Tanglewood apartment complex.

Construction on the new East 32nd Street complex started in August and should be completed in May. The original completion date was April 1, but weather conditions forced a delay. Pouring the concrete pavement is only job remaining.

The apartment complex is managed by Louis Schimmelpfennig and his wife. No stranger to apartment management, he says the apartments are catering to a varied group of people, including families and college students. Because there is no playground for small children, only tenants with no more than one child are allowed.

Other than this and a "no pets" rule, few restrictions exist to limit the type of tenant accepted.

"We're catering to nice people," he said. "We don't want any dope addicts."

The complex began renting units on Jan. 1. According to Schimmelpfennig, the response has been "tremendous."

The complex consists of 14 separate buildings which contain a total of 178 one- and two-bedroom units. Of these, 77 have already been leased.

The Tanglewood complex offers a tennis court, an exercise room, a swimming pool, and a basketball goal. Also available is a room that can be used for special occasions, such as weddings or parties. The room will feature a big-screen television

and a full kitchen.

Each apartment comes equipped with a stove, a refrigerator, a dishwasher, a garbage disposal, and a washer and dryer.

Schimmelpfennig, who has built houses and apartments in several cities across Kansas, says the Tanglewood apartments are some of the most energy efficient in the area.

Prices vary for the new apartments, which are available furnished or unfurnished with one or two bedrooms.

According to Schimmelpfennig, a one-bedroom unfurnished apartment costs \$285 per month. But due to an introductory sale, this apartment can be leased for \$261.25.

A one-bedroom furnished apartment is regularly \$310 per month. However, the sale puts the price at \$284.

Two-bedroom unfurnished apartments are \$345 monthly, but now offered on sale for \$316.25.

Two-bedroom furnished apartments normally are leased at \$370 per month, however, the sale places the price at \$339.25.

Included in these prices is a free phone hookup and a free cable hookup. Tenants are responsible for the payment of electric and water bills.

According to Schimmelpfennig, the owner of the apartments, Lindsey Management, does not rule out the possibility of expansion should the need arise.

Said Schimmelpfennig, "He's [Lindsey Management] got his eye on a piece of property right next door."



New apartments

Tanglewood Apartments, located on East 32nd Street, offer tenants an exercise room, tennis and basketball courts, and a swimming pool. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)



House hearing

Jim Snyder, lobbyist for the University of Missouri-Columbia, converses with Rep. Everett Brown (D-Maryville) during a recent House budget hearing in Jefferson City. Judy Vickrey, a CBHE staff member, was also in attendance. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Proposed bills will change names

Prospects of dropping 'Southwest' reappear for SMSU in Springfield

By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

Two bills currently in the Missouri General Assembly would alter the names of some of the state's universities.

House Bill 1198, sponsored by Rep. Everett Brown (D-Maryville), would unite the five regional universities in the state into one system.

The Missouri State University system would include Southwest Missouri State in Springfield, Southeast Missouri State in Cape Girardeau, Northwest Missouri State in Maryville, Northeast Missouri State in Kirksville, and Central Missouri State in Warrensburg. If passed, the names would change to Missouri State University (fill in the blank).

According to Brown, the bill has had many amendments since its first draft. Originally, the bill included Lincoln University in Jefferson City.

Brown attributed his bill to the recent discussion centering around a name change for SMSU only.

"I figured if it was good for Southwest, it was good for all of them," he said. "Originally, the bill would have created one super governing board for all the schools, but it has been amended to just change the names."

According to Brown, he "didn't take the bill seriously."

"I have been accused of trying to sink the bill," he said. "But I'm not. I really don't know where it stands now."

House Bill 1611, sponsored by Rep. Winnie Weber (D-House Springs), involves SMSU only.

"The bill just drops the Southwest," said Weber. "SMSU is the second largest institution in the state, it's innovative, and the town is solidly behind it."

According to Weber, statistics show that SMSU has 64 percent more enrollment than the next largest institution in the

state. She said SMSU has "consistent growth and growth."

"It will give them more prestige, and they deserve it," Weber said. "The people in Springfield are very excited. They're just wild."

Weber believes the name change will not affect any other institution in Missouri. She said the purpose is not to hurt anyone.

"The name change will not hurt Missouri Southern," she said. "Dr. (Southern President Julio) Leon is doing a fine job there. It won't hurt you."

According to Weber, the bill is facing an uphill battle, but the Springfield area is banding together to push the bill through the legislature. She said students at SMSU are making trips to the Capitol and numerous phone calls to legislators.

"We've got a mountain to climb, but we got a good foothold," said Weber. "Every day, we're moving up that mountain inch by inch."

Committee, CBHE wage court battle

Possibilities of a community college at Lake of the Ozarks still exist

By Mark Ernstmann
Editor-in-Chief

Hopes of a community college in the Lake of the Ozarks region have temporarily been put on hold due to a court battle between college supporters and the Missouri Coordinating Board for Higher Education.

According to Joe Butts, co-chairman of the steering committee looking into the establishment of the community college, the current situation involving the committee and the CBHE is a "complicated one."

"Right now, the legal portion of our steering committee is using the CBHE," he said.

The basis for the lawsuit stems from a contention by the steering committee that the CBHE changed its guidelines regarding the establishment of new institutions. Butts contends the committee made its proposal prior to the altering of the guidelines. The CBHE said it did not.

"They (the CBHE) contend they had suspended the ruling before we filed our proposal," said Butts. "We say we filed under the guidelines before they were changed. We contend the old guidelines were still in force."

According to Butts, the changes in the CBHE guidelines will now make it very difficult for future college growth.

"The CBHE displays an arrogant at-

titude," said Butts. "It definitely displays power. It has every college president in the state kissing its feet."

According to Ron Phipps, associate commissioner for planning and information services for the CBHE, the "research methodology" of the committee's proposal was "insufficient."

"We looked mainly at the need analysis," he said. "And it wasn't really clear if there was a need. The Board recommended that we work with the steering committee to clear things up."

While Butts believes his committee will eventually prevail, he said it would not surprise him if it took at least two to three years in the courts. He expects the CBHE to "play every angle available to play" to keep the suit in court as long as possible.

"We don't want to wait that long, and we can't wait that long," said Butts. "The whole thing is completely insane."

Regardless of the outcome of the litigation, members of the steering committee believe their area deserves a community college. They cite several statistics and projections that back up that belief.

"It's been said that this area is the first or second fastest-growing area in the state, or in the United States for that matter," said Butts. "This area is outstripping all of the census projections."

The large region the college would serve is another reason the institution is desired. According to Butts, the nearest

colleges for people in the area are 75 miles away in Springfield or 60 miles away in Jefferson City.

"It's said that higher education should be available within 45 miles, and this area exceeds that limit," he said. "We feel this area is void of higher education. We believe it is a viable area for a college."

Butts said the distance between colleges and the time it takes to travel is confounded further by the region's heavy traffic.

Getting initial approval from the CBHE is actually just the first in a series of steps in establishing the college. If the committee wins in court, it will then have to win approval from the voters of the district. If approved, the proposal will then return to the CBHE for its approval again.

"At best, I'll be surprised if this gets through the legal process and the voters by 1989," said Butts. "A lot of politics is involved. Even if it is OK'd this year, it really won't give us enough time to prepare for the vote."

In the meantime, according to Phipps, the CBHE is still waiting for members of the steering committee to meet with the Board in an effort to strengthen the proposal.

Said Phipps, "We just don't know if there is a sufficient need for higher education in that area."



Firm considers buying historic Hotel Governor

By Brenda Kilby
Area Editor

Jefferson City's historic Hotel Governor, closed last month, is being considered for purchase by a Kansas City real estate firm.

"Several options are being considered by the firm, including renovation and demolition," said John Egan, a reporter for the Jefferson City News-Tribune.

Although the Kopeza Realty Venture Company could not be reached for comment, Egan said he had been told by a spokesman for the firm that an offer to purchase the building had been made.

"The firm has until March 1 to inspect the building to see if the purchase price is agreeable," Egan said.

The Hotel Governor, located three blocks from the State Capitol, opened on Sept. 4, 1942.

"I was in that hotel the month it opened, which was two or three weeks before I left to go to World War II," said Sen. Richard Webster (R-Carthage). "At that time, it was an extremely modern hotel. You had a toilet and bathroom in every room."

"Several people—five or six—died in that fire," Webster said, "including one state representative."

State Rep. Nolan McNeill (D-Cassville) stayed in the Hotel Governor in 1982, the first year he was in Jefferson City.

"I had a nice room, which had been renovated," he said. "It was very handy, and would have been an ideal location for the General Assembly in use had an owner wanted to encourage the legislature to stay there."

McNeill said he had heard "rumors on the street" that the hotel will be turned into an office complex.

"I don't think it will ever open up again for people to live there," he said.

According to Webster, the decline and closing of the Hotel Governor resulted from the change in the habits of the population.

"In the era the hotel was built, a high percentage of people who stayed in it came by rail," he said. "When I served as a member of the House, the entire St. Louis delegation would arrive from the east, and the Kansas City delegation would arrive from the west at the depot." Since people arrived in Jefferson City



Candidate

Gary Nodler, assistant to U.S. Congressman Gene Taylor (R-Missouri), announced last week he would run for the seat vacated by his boss. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Nodler announces candidacy for seat

By Chris A. Clark
Editorial Page Editor

Although he has never before held public office, Republican Gary Nodler has announced his candidacy for the Seventh Congressional District seat being vacated by Gene Taylor.

Nodler, Taylor's district assistant in Joplin since 1973, said he will leave Taylor's staff on April 1 to pursue his campaign on a full-time basis.

"There is a substantial desire in the Seventh District for other choices," Nodler said at a press conference last week. "I think that I am the right man to do the job in the Seventh District."

Other candidates for the office include State Rep. Roy Cagle (R-Joplin), State Sen. Dennis Smith (R-Springfield), and Cecil Huff of Ava. Nodler believes Mel Hancock of Springfield also will seek the nomination.

"A number of people contacted me and urged me to consider entering the race," said Nodler. "The people of this district are looking for someone to address the issues as straight forward as possible."

According to Nodler, his campaign still has some distance to go before getting off the ground.

"This announcement of my candidacy is just the first step in bringing my message to the people of this area," he said.

Nodler, who has never before sought public office, believes being straight with people and bringing the issues to them is the key to his election.

"The only way I can win this election is to have the people of this area know where I stand on the issues that are important to them," he said. "Talking to people, relating to them, and finding their needs and concerns will help to bring me into this office. I want southwest Missouri to know that I care about the problems that affect people in their daily lives."

Some of the issues talked about during Nodler's speech were the federal deficit, the foreign trade deficit, health care, agriculture, religious freedom, and the right to bear arms.

Nodler said he believes strongly in "a federal court system that doesn't intrude on the exercise of freedom of religion and

the right to bear arms."

"The Supreme Court has made it so a student in a public school is unable to practice a moment of silence during school time," he said. "The wall built up between the church and state by the Supreme Court has made it virtually impossible for a student to pray in a public school."

Nodler also believes that the right to bear arms "lies at the very core of the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights."

"The people of this area have had enough of a court system which serves to invade a person's private life," he said. "I have had enough, and the people have had enough."

"They want a congressman who is a strong voice for freedom."

Nodler also commented on the fate of the Social Security system.

"I think there are some real concerns in the community about Social Security and whether it will be around after several years," he said. "I feel it will be around simply because there is a need for it. I support the Social Security system."

"I was in that hotel the month it opened, which was two or three weeks before I left to go to World War II. At that time, it was an extremely modern hotel."

—Sen. Richard Webster

"That was unusual in those days," he said. "A hotel may have a few rooms with a private bath, but most had a man's and woman's room down at the end of the hall."

In 1949 and subsequent years, Webster said he stayed in the hotel for extended periods of time while in Jefferson City.

"I shared a room for four years with the late Max Myers," he said. "A room cost us \$6 a night for the two of us."

The Hotel Governor was built on the same site, Webster said, as the Hotel Madison, which burned to the ground in 1937.

by train, they depended upon cabs, buses, and walking to get from place to place.

"They didn't bring their automobiles," Webster said.

The Hotel Governor, as a result, only had about 35 parking places available. And the rooms were not as large as those in modern hotels and motels, Webster said.

According to Egan, demolition may be the fate of the Hotel, unless renovation is considered feasible.

"It's a prime real estate location to build on," he said.

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Rank breaks two records

In less than a week, Anita Rank has shattered two school records and is now Missouri Southern's all-time scoring leader.

Rank, who passed former teammate Margaret Womack Saturday with 36 points against Kearney State, now has 1,820 points. Despite the magnitude of her accomplishment, the 6-foot senior refuses to take all the credit.

"I was really excited about it, but I couldn't have done it by myself," Rank said. "If we hadn't had a lot of good players along the way, there's no way I could have done it."

While Rank could have sat back and enjoyed her accomplishment, she did just the opposite. She returned to the hardwood Monday and scored a school-record 42 points against the University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff. This broke her year-old record of 40 points in a game.

"When I hit 40 points on Monday, they (teammates) tried to get me the ball," Rank said. "I didn't realize I was that close to the record."

"I think Coach told a couple of the guards I was getting close and they kept trying to pass me the ball. A couple of times the ball and things didn't work out, and then another time I dribbled it off my feet."

Jim Phillips, head coach, hopes Rank will receive some honors at the end of the season for her accomplishments.

"A good game against John Brown might help propel her to national player-of-the-week honors," Phillips said. "I think she will deserve it."



Sets mark Anita Rank (right) is congratulated by teammate Joyce Falls after setting a new career scoring mark. (Chart photo by Sean Vanslyke)

Lions await home tests

Concordia here Saturday

After playing three games against two of the top NCAA teams in the nation, Missouri Southern is looking forward to its home debut.

The Lions will face Concordia College of Seward, Neb., in a doubleheader Saturday beginning at 11 a.m. at Joe Becker Stadium.

Oklahoma State totaled 22 hits last Saturday en route to a 20-3 victory. Meanwhile, Southern had just four hits and committed six errors.

"It's been a learning experience playing Oklahoma State and Arkansas," said Warren Turner, head coach. "We made some errors in those games. We just have to alleviate some of those errors and we'll be all right."

While fielding mistakes have been a concern of Turner's, one of the bright spots has been junior right-hander Mike Parker. Despite being handed the loss against OSU and an 0-2 record, Parker pitched well against Oklahoma State.

"Parker did well for us," Turner said. "He will pitch again next Wednesday at Oklahoma State."

"Some of our young kids responded well to the pressures involved in playing a major college."

While Parker will toe the rubber next Wednesday, right-handed senior Jim Krull and sophomore Mike Stebbins will pitch against Concordia. Krull finished 6-2 during the 1987 campaign, and Stebbins was 4-1 with a 3.34 earned run average.



My hero was human

Following team activities and keeping track of athletic statistics are key factors in hero worship.

Almost every American has his or her favorite team or athlete of whom they keep faithful watch. I, myself, have been a victim of hero worship.

I was first exposed to this concept as a little girl growing up in Chicago. As a resident of this city, it was almost a prerequisite to be a "Cubbie." My father was a devoted Cubs fan, and I was destined to follow in his footsteps. I remember so vividly attending all the home games for the Cubs, sitting in the stands at Wrigley Field, sweltering in what seemed to be 200-degree temperatures. I loved the Cubs, so it never mattered if they won or lost. In my eyes they were fantastic.

Finally, the opportunity to meet my "heroes" came true.

A few of the players were scheduled to make an appearance at a local mall. I was so excited because my parents promised to take me to meet them.

We arrived an hour early to secure an appropriate place for me to meet my "heroes." I hurried to find a place in line with about a million other kids. At last the players strolled in. The screams and applause were deafening. I impatiently waited to receive an autographed picture and speak to my personal favorite, Ernie "Mr. Cub" Banks.

After what seemed like hours, I stepped up to Mr. Banks. I swear he must have been seven feet tall. He shook my hand and I just stood there, dumbfounded. I tried to tell him I thought he was a great shortstop. But my tongue felt about two feet thick. So there I stood, like a total geek, in front of the most outstanding player on the Cubs baseball team. He patted my head, gave me the picture, and pushed me through the line.

I walked back to where my parents stood, in an absolute daze. I still could not believe I had just met the greatest man ever to play baseball.

As disastrous as my first meeting with Mr. Banks was, it was still the thrill of a lifetime for a five-year-old.

But I was not going to give up my loyalty to the Cubs. The very next home game, my father was able to obtain terrific seats. We were going to sit very close to first base.

On the day of the game, I was determined to get Mr. Banks' attention. During the first few innings, the action was slow. Then in the middle of the fourth inning, a line drive came close to the bleachers where I sat. I was intent on catching the ball. I hopped up on the fence and made a wild leap to catch my "souvenir." Of course, I missed the ball and went tumbling into the infield, right beside first base. Mr. Banks looked at me, shocked, but he quickly hurried to help me up.

"That was a great try," he said, smiling at me.

"Thanks, Mr. Banks. I think you are terrific!"

He smiled and boosted me up into the stands.

I felt great. So what if I embarrassed myself in front of half of Chicago. I had the opportunity to tell my "hero" how much I admired him.

This indeed was the most memorable day in my life. My hero was human, just like me, and he seemed to appreciate my admiration.

I doubt that athletes really understand the impact they can have on admiring fans. If they just take a few minutes to shake the hand of a fan or talk to an eager child, it can make all the difference in the way the athlete is perceived and followed.

The important thing for all athletes is to remember to acknowledge the fans from time to time because the fans take some responsibility for where the athlete is today.

□ Anastasia Umland is a staff writer for The Chart.

Anita Rank: Season-by-Season

Year	Games	FG %	Reb. Avg.	Points	Avg.
1984-85	29	.500	5.8	268	9.2
1985-86	32	.572	9.1	425	13.3
1986-87	25	.578	9.4	561	22.4
1987-88	25	.576	10.5	566	22.6
Totals	111	.565	8.6	1,820	16.4

Spurlin signs three players

By Rob Smith
Executive Manager

Adding "quickness and good ball skills" to the Missouri Southern soccer team, Jack Spurlin has signed three local players.

Highly-touted Brad Erwin of McAuley Regional High School and Russ Stemmons of Joplin High School have signed letters of intent to play at Southern next year.

Scott Whitman, a forward from Neosho who last played high school soccer in 1986, also will play for Southern.

"I think these are the top prospects in southwest Missouri," said Spurlin, head coach. "We are lucky to be able to add these players to our program."

Erwin, a two-time all-stater and three-time all-district selection, led the Warriors in scoring each of the last three seasons.

"He is a very quick player and he has exceptional individual ball skills," Spurlin said. "He also has some real power behind his shot."

"He is a natural left wing, and he plays the position beautifully."

Stemmons, a first-team all-district performer, will join his brother, Lenny, on Southern's team.

"Russ is also a quick player," Spurlin said. "He has some great ball skills as well."

"He played a forward in high school, but he will probably play midfield for us."

He was on the Joplin Jets team that won the state cup."

Spurlin called Whitman the "spark plug" on the Neosho district championship team. Whitman earned honorable mention to the all-state team in 1986.

"I think he has a lot of desire," Spurlin said. "That's something I'm looking for. He has good speed, and we will spend some time working on his ball skills."

In addition to his off-campus recruits, Spurlin has added two current Southern students. Junior Tom Davidson rejoins the team after playing for the Lions his freshman year.

"He scored quite a few goals his freshman year and then played at a junior college last year," Spurlin said.

Cristian Redard approached Spurlin about playing earlier this year.

"He just came to me when he heard I was the coach," Spurlin said. "He has played college soccer in Chile. I don't know much about him, but he said he was a forward or a midfielder."

With 17 returning players and the new additions to the roster, the team currently has 22 players. Still, Spurlin said his roster could use additional players.

"My goal is a minimum of 25 players, but I would like to have 30," he said. "Another goal is to recruit locally as much as possible."

Lady Lions to end season

After winning their first game since Jan. 23, the Lady Lions will be looking to start a different kind of streak when they play John Brown University today.

Missouri Southern will travel to Siloam Springs, Ark., for a 7 p.m. contest with the Golden Eagles.

The Lady Lions were able to snap a school-record 11-game losing streak Monday night with an 85-79 victory over the University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff.

According to Jim Phillips, Southern head coach, there are several similarities between his club and John Brown.

"We beat them at the beginning of the year (77-58)," Phillips said. "They are playing a whole lot better now."

"We are a lot alike. We both play tough schedules, and we both have strong inside play. We match up pretty well."

Phillips said one advantage the Lady Lions will have is superior size.

"They have two or three good players," he said. "Ruth Jalo scored 17 points the first time we played them. And Kelly Danner really keeps them going."

While JBU has been idle since Feb. 13, Phillips said he expects the Golden Eagles to be "a little more fired up for the last home game." In addition, Southern fans saw senior Dawn Kliche at her season's best, scoring 18 points and grabbing 11 rebounds when the teams met earlier.

"Before, Dawn was able to get open," Phillips said. "She played well."

"We've also added Joyce (sophomore center Falls) since then. She has played well for us."

Although Kliche was at her best, the Golden Eagles were able to shut down Anita Rank, who scored eight points.

Lions, PSU to renew rivalry

Southern seeks first CSIC win as season comes to end

By Rob Smith
Executive Manager

It's now or never for the men's basketball team. Going into Saturday night's CSIC game against Pittsburg State University, Missouri Southern is winless in league play.

At 5-21 overall and 0-13 in the CSIC, the Lions return home for their final game of the season. The game will tip off at 7:30 p.m.

"We expect it to be a very tough game," said Chuck Williams, Southern head coach. "They (PSU) have been playing well."

"The rivalry between Southern and Pittsburg State is always important to us," said Ken Ash, Pittsburg State head coach. "We're not taking Southern lightly. The rivalry gets both teams a little bit excited about playing each other."

While both coaches believe the rivalry adds to the flavor of the game, Williams has taken a different approach as far as practice is concerned.

"We came out of the weekend games a little bit hurt," he said. "We had Rodney (sophomore guard Adside) with an ankle injury."

"We didn't practice on Monday or Tuesday and will get three days of practice in before Saturday's game. Hopefully, that will give Rodney a chance to stay off his ankle."

himself with three PSU players scoring in double figures, including Jeff Greene, the CSIC's leading scorer.

"I think they have a good inside and outside game," Williams said. "If you stop someone inside, Fleming (sophomore guard Tony) can shoot from the outside. They have two good three-point shooters in Fleming and Jim Spychalski."

According to Ash, a balanced scoring attack keeps teams from concentrating on Greene.

"There's always a way to stop one person, but we think we have a balanced attack," Ash said. "Sure, Greene leads the conference, but we have other players that can score."

It was Greene, averaging 23.8 points and 8.2 rebounds per game, who hurt Southern in the first meeting at Pittsburg. The 6-foot-5 junior tallied 31 points in the Gorilla's 72-64 victory on Jan. 5.

Ash said he is most concerned with Southern's defense and stopping the offense of two players.

"Mays (sophomore forward Charles) is a good player," he said. "We look at him and Taylor (junior guard Antonio) as their primary scorers. We have to stop them in particular."

In addition to Taylor and Mays, averaging 17.8 and 13.7 points, respectively, Southern will start freshman forward David Lurvey, sophomore forward Tim Harris, and Adside. Harris leads the team in rebounds, snaring 5.1 per game.



No room

Sophomore center Charles Mays (No. 44) looks for an opening against Kearney State in the Lions' 86-69 loss Saturday.



Bush campaigns here

Vice President vows he will never let America down

By Chris A. Clark
Editorial Page Editor

Although his visit was brief, Vice President George Bush was able to take just enough time last Thursday to plead his case to the people of Joplin.

Bush, campaigning for the Republican presidential nomination, spoke to an audience in Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium for 20 minutes.

Billing himself as "the education President," Bush used the college setting to present his stance on what he considers of utmost importance.

"It has been said before that the students of today's schools are America's hopes for tomorrow," he said, "but it bears repeating. We must do all we can to offer a quality education to everyone."

Missouri was the first state Bush visited after winning the New Hampshire primary on Tuesday, Feb. 16.

"Our campaign is alive and well," he said. "We're charging forward. As I travel, I can't help but count the blessings for the friendships I have made."

"In New Hampshire, I could go out and talk one on one to people, and I want to do that here in Missouri."

Bush also took time to answer charges made by rival candidate Bob Dole. In the past weeks, Sen. Dole has criticized Bush for not understanding the middle class because of Bush's wealth.

"My background has been in business, sweating it out in the real world. I think I would make a better President because I've had to meet a payroll."

Bush told the crowd of nearly 2,500 that giving in to compromise would not be part of his Presidency.

"In the executive branch, you lead and then rally support from the American people. The job we are talking about is Commander in Chief, not a compromise."

Bush addressed the controversy surrounding his involvement in the Iran-Contra affair. Critics have called atten-

tion to his loyalty to President Reagan.

"I'll stand shoulder to shoulder with this President," said Bush. "I'm talking about loyalty, not for a principle, but for a purpose."

The Vice President's first priority in his speech was the fiscal deficit.

"Washington is simply spending too much money," said Bush, emphasizing flexibility in his quest to balance the budget. "I will not cut the benefits. A flat-out freeze is not the answer, but where the President has the flexibility, that's the answer. Give the President what 43 governors in this country enjoy: the line-item veto."

Though slightly touching on issues such as AIDS and narcotics, Bush chose not to expand on either topic. He spent most of his time "spelling out the differences" between he and the other candidates.

Tony Tichy, a Southern freshman, was surprised by the reaction to Bush.

"I thought that Bush's speech was welcomed by the audience," said Tichy. "I was surprised. I thought there would be more hecklers."

Dr. Elliot Denniston, associate professor of English, felt the crowd was behind Bush the whole way.

"Obviously, the crowd was very much with him from the start," Denniston said. "It always helps to quote Mark Twain and Woody Allen."

Bush made it plain to the audience that his involvement would be a legal one.

"My job as President of this country would be not to serve to profit," he said. "I will adhere to ethics in government as I have throughout my years in politics."

"I want the people to vote for me because I have the skill and the experience it takes to be President."

"There isn't another country like ours," said Bush. "There is none with such conviction as ours, and with the people's vote, I will successfully lead this country into the 1990's."

"I will never let you down."



(Clockwise from top left) Missouri Southern President Julio Leon, U.S. Congressman Gene Taylor (center), and Vice President George Bush greet the crowd at Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium upon their arrival. Members of the Secret Service scan the crowd for any sign of trouble. A sea of Bush signs could be seen all around the gymnasium. The Vice President signs autographs for some of the many admirers in the audience. Waving to the crowd is a popular action among politicians. Two young Bush fans show their support.

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